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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

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| <i>Application Number</i>   | <b>10/062,944</b>           |
| <i>Filing Date</i>          | <b>February 1, 2002</b>     |
| <i>First Named Inventor</i> | <b>Shaiwal Singh et al.</b> |
| <i>Group Art Unit</i>       | <b>2166</b>                 |
| <i>Examiner Name</i>        | <b>Mohammad Ali</b>         |
| <i>Attorney Docket No.</i>  | <b>MICR0258</b>             |

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See *Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice*, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a.  Previously submitted

i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).  
ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply  
ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Miscellaneous

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i) required)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Request for Extension of Time

4. Request for Constructive Petition for Extension of Time

It is requested that any concurrent or future reply submitted in the present application requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)(3) for timely submission be treated as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. It is also requested that any additional required

fees under § 1.17, including all required extension of time fees, be charged to Deposit Account No. 01-1940, thereby constructively petitioning for any necessary extension of time to maintain the present application in a pending state.

5. Claim Status

| Computation of Fee For Claims as Submitted for filing in RCE |   |   |                                   |             |              |
|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
|  | <u>Claims Remaining<br/>after Preliminary<br/>Amendment<br/>Submitted Herewith (if<br/>any)</u> | <u>Highest Number of<br/>Claims Previously Paid<br/>For</u> | <u>Number of<br/>Extra Claims</u> | <u>Rate</u> | <u>Fees</u>  |
| Total Claims   | 48  | 58  | -0-                               | x \$50      | \$0-         |
| Independent Claims   | 6   | 6   | -0-                               | x \$200     | <u>0-</u>    |
| ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE   |   |   |                                   |             | -0-          |
| RCE FEE  |   |   |                                   |             | 790          |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS RCE SUBMISSION                 |   |   |                                   |             | <u>\$790</u> |

6. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 01-1940.

- i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(e)
- ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii.  Any additional required fees
- iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Check No. 8848 in the amount of \$790 is enclosed, which includes all the fees as noted above.

c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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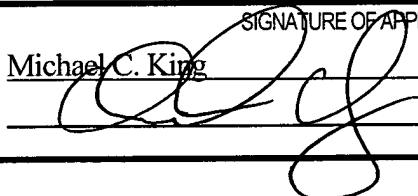
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Typed/Printed Name

Michael C. King

Registration Number: 44,832

Signature



Date: February 23, 2006

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Date: February 23, 2006

